IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 10-11, 14, and 19-22, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 1-9, 12-13, and 23 as follows:

1. (currently amended) A rotator applicator head including a first part and a second part, the first part being ~~moulded of a plastics~~ molded from a plastic material and being disk-like in form with a central recess formed therein, and said second part being secured to said first part capping said recess to define a liquid storage chamber between said first and second parts for storing a liquid to be applied to the surface of a field, garden or crop, and a plurality of applicator wicks extending through a wall of said recess towards the periphery of said first part and having a portion thereof within said recess, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said wall is ~~moulded~~ molded about said plurality of applicator wicks.

2. (currently amended) A rotator applicator head according to Claim 1, wherein a portion of said first part at or near its periphery is ~~moulded~~ molded about a portion of each applicator wick to secure them against movement relative to said first part during rotation.

3. (currently amended) A rotator applicator head according to Claim 2, wherein intermediate portions of the first part are ~~moulded~~ molded about said wicks.

4. (currently amended) A rotator applicator head according to Claim 1, wherein each wick terminates adjacent the periphery of said first part and a peripheral portion of said first part is ~~moulded~~ molded about the end portion of each wick thereby forming a cap so that liquid flowing through the wick during rotation of the applicator head is prevented from flowing out the end of the wicks.

5. (currently amended) A rotator applicator head according to Claim 1, wherein said second part includes a Vee-belt pulley ~~integrally moulded therewith for receiving drive from a tractor power take-off (PTO) or other drive source~~.

6. (currently amended) An applicator, including:

a frame assembly adapted to be attached to or drawn by a vehicle such as a tractor;

a support shaft secured to said frame assembly and depending therefrom in use;

~~a storage tank mounted on said frame assembly or adapted to be mounted on the vehicle;~~

a rotatable applicator head as defined by Claim 1 mounted on said shaft for rotation relative thereto, said shaft extending into or through said storage chamber in said applicator head and said shaft having a passage therethrough ~~, said passage being~~ in fluid communication with said storage chamber ~~and said storage tank~~ for supplying liquid to said storage chamber.

7. (currently amended) An applicator according to Claim 6, wherein ~~said~~ the shaft includes a second passage therethrough in fluid communication with ~~said~~ the storage chamber and adapted to act as a vent for venting ~~said~~ the storage chamber.

8. (currently amended) A hand held motor driven applicator including:

drive means having a drive housing and an output shaft, said drive housing being adapted to be coupled to an elongate handle by which a user may maintain said rotor applicator head proximal to the surface of a field, garden or crop, whereupon said applicator wicks may apply liquid to selected undesired plants upon contact therewith, and said drive means being adapted to be connected to a motor for driving said output shaft;

~~a motor drivingly connected to said drive means;~~

a rotatable applicator head connected to said output shaft for rotation therewith, said rotatable applicator head having a first part and a second part, said first part being ~~moulded~~ molded of a plastics material and being disk-like in form with a central recess formed therein, and said second part being secured to said first part capping said recess to define a liquid storage chamber between said first and second parts for storing a liquid to be applied to the surface of ~~a~~ the field, garden or crop, and a plurality of applicator wicks extending through a wall of said recess towards the periphery of said first part and having a portion thereof within said recess, said wall being ~~moulded~~ molded about said plurality of applicator wicks and ~~there being~~ including an access opening in said second part for receiving a supply of liquid ;

~~an elongate handle operatively connected to said drive housing by which a user may maintain said rotor applicator head proximal to the surface of the field, garden or crop, whereupon said applicator wicks may apply liquid to selected undesired plants upon contact therewith, and~~

~~a reservoir mounted on said elongate handle or said drive housing in fluid communication with said liquid storage chamber for supplying liquid to said liquid storage chamber via said access opening while said rotor applicator head is rotating~~.

9. (currently amended) A method of constructing a rotatable applicator head for a motor driven applicator of the type having a first part ~~moulded of a plasties~~ molded from a plastic material and being disk-like in form with a central recess formed therein and a plurality of applicator wicks extending through a wall of said recess towards the periphery of said first part and having a portion thereof within said recess, including ~~;~~ :

cutting a piece of rope wick to a desired length to extend across a face of said first part;

compressing a portion of the rope wick and ~~moulding~~ molding said recess wall about said compressed portion of said rope wick while said rope wick is compressed, and

allowing the ~~plasties~~ plastic material to set; and

releasing the compression from said rope wick.

Claims 10-11 (canceled).

12. (currently amended) A method according to claim 9, wherein the characteristics of the materials and the parameters of the ~~moulding~~ molding process, particularly the temperature and injecting pressure, are selected such that some of the ~~thermoplastics~~ thermoplastic material penetrates part-way into the porous material in the ~~moulding~~ molding step.

13. (currently amended) A method according to claim 9, including the steps of cutting the rope with a hot blade to prevent fraying of the ends, and pressing the cut end into a V-shape.

Claims 14-22 (canceled).

23. (currently amended) A method according to claim 12, including the steps of cutting the rope with a hot blade to prevent fraying of the ends, and pressing the cut end into a V-shape.